

TOWN OF EGREMONT, MASSACHUSETTS
MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD
MINUTES

Date: April 10, 2019

Time: 7:00pm

Place: Town Hall
Egremont

Present at the table were Chairman Turner, Vice-Chairman McGurn, Selectman Brazie.

Others in attendance: were Lucinda Vermeulen, Marj Wexler, Tom Berkel, Richard Allen, Jennifer Brown, Mary McGurn.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

It was announced that the meeting is video and audio recorded.

The Board voted unanimously to appoint Ken Gogel as special counsel for the review of the SBRSD agreement amendment.

The Board has sent a letter to the legislature urging changes to the School Rural Aid funding mechanism as it left SBRSD without any rural aid funds. Bruce noted that the house budget includes increases in several key school budget items.

The Board agreed to send a letter drafted by Vice-Chairman McGurn to the Police Chief expressing the Board's displeasure with the continued lack of night coverage some nights and the lack of notification to the Board of same.

The Board agreed to place an article on the Town Meeting warrant for a part-time administrative position for the Fire Department and to appropriate the sum of \$12,000. All inspections fees will be retained by the Town.

The Board agreed to place an article on the warrant for \$5,000 for the Pollinator Corridor Plan.

The Board awaits the wage recommendations from the Compensation Committee.

The Board voted unanimously to remove the sinks from the French Park bathroom facilities in order to avoid the water system being declared as a public water supply and to avoid repairs to the well, and to not install a drinking water fountain.

The Board voted unanimously to put the reformatting of the General Bylaws on the May 7, 6:30pm, Special Town Meeting warrant. The test of the reformatting will be referenced but not printed on the warrant.

The warrant article for the ADA upgrades at the South Egremont Fire Station will read \$90,000 as the low bid is \$89,200.

The Board agreed to funding of articles as follows:

Town Hall Generator	\$57,000 - Free Cash
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New Mower and rake	\$ 9,000 - Free Cash
Town Hall driveway/parking	\$48,000 - Free Cash
Friends of Prospect Lake	\$ 5,000 - Raise & Appropriate
Highway Road Work	\$40,000 - Overlay Surplus
Mt. Washington Rd Eng	\$200,000 - Borrow
Highway Truck	\$280,000 - Borrow
Water Corrosion Control	\$45,000 - Raise & Appropriate
So. Egremont School ADA	\$90,000 - Free Cash
South Egremont Church	\$11,000 - Raise & Appropriate
Cemetery Projects	\$6,000 - Raise & Appropriate
OSHA Fire Dept. Compliance	\$10,000 - Raise & Appropriate
MACRS	\$4,000 - Raise & Appropriate
Book restoration	\$1,000 - Raise & Appropriate
GASB 45	\$15,000 - Free Cash
Stabilization Fund	\$10,000 - Free Cash
French Park repairs	\$9,700 - Free Cash
Police Revolving	\$5,000 - Raise & Appropriate
Pollinator	\$5,000 - Free Cash
Fire Dept Admin	\$12,000 - Raise & Appropriate

The Board signed the Cell Tower Land Lease agreement and the Affordable Housing Land Lease agreement.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13pm.

Mary Brazier
Office Administrator

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